

Romance of a Roman Queen

Cornelia, the daughter of Cinna, was found sitting in a chair dead, her eyes wide open looking toward the sky, filled with a look of horror, her hands upheld as if to ward off a blow or push from view some awful object. In her lap lay a parchment letter signed Julius Cinnero, who was then in Spain, saying, although he loved her best, he had decided it was better for him to wed one who had more money than she.

It must have broken the girl's heart, for there was no sign of disease or pain. On a couch in the Triclinium of Pansas' house in Herculaneum, Pompilas Dolabella, the Roman senator, lay dying, beside him an imperial soldier, and in a shadow his old and faithful nurse. Suddenly he said to the soldier: "Tell Julius Cinnero that I forged the letter to Cornelia, the daughter of Cinna—ask him to forgive me if he can—for I was as false to him as—" The lamp gave a vicious sputter and went out, leaving a snaky coil of greenish smoke.

In the Forum the Romans wept as M. Tullius Cicero pronounced an oration lauding the good and virtuous senator's life.

With the first blush of spring Julius Cinnero, the proprietor of Father Spain turned his steps toward Rome to receive from the emperor's hand a civic crown.

Glistening in the morning sun, an armored soldier stands silently before the gate of Winged Victory.

Julius Cinnero, at the head of his legions, approached. Something in the soldier's pose arrested his attention.

Saluting Cinnero, the soldier made him acquainted with the death of Cornelia and the perfidy of Dolabella.

Not a muscle quivered, not a sound escaped him, but a deadly color slowly spread over his face. When the soldier saluted to retire Cinnero's hair was as white as marble.

"I will not forget that I am a Roman and a soldier. No one shall know this but my emperor." The imperial edict erasing the name of Pompilas Dolabella from the senatorial tablets was a mystery.

"Julia, if I mistake not, Cinnero has eyes for naught but thee, my beautiful daughter."

"Dear father, as I live, I love him with all my heart."

Rome was bid to the wedding feast of Julius Cinnero and Julia, daughter of Escalapius, the philosopher. The emperor himself joined their hands, the poets tuned their lyres, the oracle of Delphi had spake. The emperor turned to Escalapius for a story.

Slowly the old philosopher began: "Some time ago there was taken from the tomb the body of a beautiful girl, who had been buried only the day before. Being removed to a secret chamber it was at once placed on a warm marble block with the hands and feet resting on a crystal discus. A slave woman rubbed the crystal with leather, when there became audible a crackling sound, blue flashes of faint light were seen to jump to and from the body like the lightnings of Jove.

"A rosy tinge overspread the girl, a sigh escaped the beautiful lips.

"She was not dead, as I had reasoned.

"To her, then, did I some secret herbs administer, blotting from out her mind the past. Quickly she came back to health and knew me only as her father, and she who stands before you now as the wife of Julius Cinnero is not my daughter, but Cornelia, the daughter of Cinna."

Julius Cinnero became emperor, and from cares of state they in winter off retired to Alexandria, where unattended save by the aged philosopher, the emperor, hand in hand with his Roman queen wandered about the beautiful city to their hearts' content.

THE FEMININE OBSERVER.

A woman never forgives the man who forgets a promise made to her.

Love is the chief bond of human sympathy—riding a wheel is the next.

A man often goes into mourning for his wife by dyeing his white whiskers black.

Why is it so few women like to give the name of their dressmaker to their friends?

The most exasperating thing is to have it clear off when you have dressed for a rainy day.

Almost every sentiment regarding women is bound to fit some of them, as in variety the weaker sex especially excels.

War has a much more emphatic significance when some really dear man you know marches away while the band plays, "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

The girl who apparently plays tireless games of golf, tennis, etc., and rides centuries on her chainless wheel can never without awful fatigue even dust her own room.

AN ARMY INCIDENT.

A French engineer Lieutenant, near Toulouse, became convinced recently that one of his men had stolen. As the soldier would not confess, the Lieutenant ordered him to be shot, and put him through all the forms of a military execution, save that the firing platoon used blank cartridges. The Lieutenant has been court-martialed and sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

LOOKING OUT FOR HIMSELF.

A boy 31-2 years old, of very poor parents—so poor that each child (no matter how small) had certain work to do, was required to bring in the kindling wood each day. One Sunday he did not seem inclined to do his work. At last his mother spoke to him and said: "Graham, why don't you bring in your wood? All the others will have their work done before you start. The boy sat still. His mother added: 'Graham, why don't you obey? Go at once. Then the real reason came out. To-day is Sunday, the lad replied, and I won't work. I am going to heaven, if the rest of the family don't."

HIS QUALIFICATIONS.

Official of the Fire Department—Is this friend you want to get on to the force a bright sort of a fellow?

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FASTIDIOUS.

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Friend—Call that hard to please? Photographer—Yes, she sat for seven more before she made up her mind.

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FAIR WARNING.

Why, Laura, said Mr. Snickers, the humorist, is that a pistol by the side of your plate?

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